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1. [redacted] Soviet passports have been relinquished by more than 200 persons in Tientsin. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] only 10 persons had relinquished Soviet passports.) Most persons send their passports to the Soviet Consulate by mail and get the postal receipt. Permission to relinquish Soviet citizenship must come from Moscow after the applicant's request has been received there. The minimum time required to gain permission in such a manner is three months.
2. Persons who turn in to the Chinese police the postal receipt for their relinquished passports are given a stateless status. Those who wish to become Chinese citizens must present documents showing they have been released from Soviet citizenship.
3. Severe economic conditions cause a large number of Soviet passport relinquishments. Stateless persons are eligible for IRO food parcels, while Soviet citizens are not.

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